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1. THE FOLLOWING IS BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR LIMITED DISSEMINATION WITHIN STATION: APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE RE OFFER OF ASSISTANCE FOR COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS AS STATED REF. BUT OVERALL POLITICAL SENSITIVITY OF SITUATION DICTATES UNENCUMBERED AND SOLE EFFORT AT THIS TIME. AS A RESULT HAS BEEN DESIGNATED SOLE AGENT FOR COMMUNITY ON ALL NEGOTIATIONS THIS MATTER. ALTHOUGH IN FULL AGREEMENT THAT HIGH PRIORITY AND COSTLY NEGOTIATIONS WARRANTED, THE POLITICAL CLIMATE STRONGLY SUGGESTS THAT SPEEDY RESULTS MAY NOT BE FORTHCOMING AND PERHAPS NOT FOR SEVERAL MONTHS.

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2. SUGGEST STATION MAY WISH RESPOND TO THAT KEENLY AWARE OF COLLECTION OPPORTUNITY. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF CURRENT INTERNATIONAL NEGOTIATIONS ON MIDDLE EAST

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SOLUTION AND OBVIOUS [REDACTED] SENSITIVITY TO [REDACTED] OR [REDACTED]
APPROACHES FOR THIS PURPOSE IT IS NECESSARY TO PROCEED WITH
UTMOST CAUTION.

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3. AGAIN FYI. IF [REDACTED] NONETHELESS WISHES PROCEED
ON OWN, WE ARE NOT IN POSITION TO OBJECT BUT WOULD NOT ENCOUR-
AGE FOR REASONS (GIVEN ABOVE) WHICH APPLY TO DECISION MADE IN

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[REDACTED] COMMUNITY TO DESIGNATE ONE REPRESENTATIVE TO HANDLE
NEGOTIATIONS FOR COLLECTION.

END OF MESSAGE

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